

PRESIDENT: There is no ruling because there is no case before me.

SENATOR BARNETT: Okay. Then I will take up my motion.

PRESIDENT: You are up now, yes.

SENATOR BARNETT: I probably used up three minutes of my time on it. What I am going to try to do is use up the other four or five or whatever I'm allowed. The motion I have up there, Pat would you read the motion so that the body would know what we are talking about.

CLERK: Read Barnett motion.

SENATOR BARNETT: I didn't take this motion up on Select File I let it go because I thought that there was an agreement made between the introducers of the bill and the resolution. Since, they have not gone along with the game plan I guess that it only fair that I be allowed to bring this amendment back. What this amendment would do is take this to the voters in the general election and let them vote on the issue and give the legislative body some guidance as far as the election is concerned. This issue has been talked about many, many times. I know that even this amendment is falling on deaf ears of those that play with the resolution and brought it before us. But, I think that it is time the voters were allowed to speak on this issue. Therefore I would ask that you return this to Select File so that the people of this state have an opportunity to vote on this issue.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cullan calls for the previous question. Do I see five seconds? I do. The question is shall debate now cease. Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 6 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Debate ceases. Record your vote. The question is shall LR 152 be returned for the specific amendment. Have you all voted? Call the roll.

CLERK: Roll call vote. 8 ayes, 36 nays, 3 present and not voting, 2 excused and not voting. Vote appears on pages 2211-2212.

PRESIDENT: That motion failed. Do you have any further motions?

CLERK: Yes sir I do.

PRESIDENT: Read the motion. Senator F. Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: I ask unanimous consent to be excused until we get back to something of substance.

PRESIDENT: Well we are on Final Reading. Is there an objection to Senator Frank Lewis being excused? It is all right with the Chair, Frank Lewis, but I think you have run into some objections. Read the next motion.